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- Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO), Notice of Final Rejection [3 pgs.] (with unofficial translation [2 pgs.]) for Korean Patent Application No. KR 10-2004-7012607, issued by the KIPO on 2010-09-30.
- European Patent Office (EPO), Communication for Application No.
  EP03739748 issued by the EPO on October 28, 2010, [1 pg.], including

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European Search Report [1 pg.], Annex to European Search Report [1 pg.]

The EPO Search report cited the following two references (which are listed on this IDS):

- 1. US Patent 5898456
- 2. WO 00/60861

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